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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief of Operations

ATTENTION

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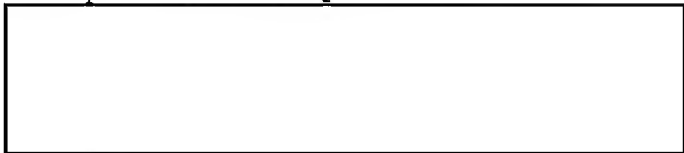
SUBJECT

: OUT Cables Pouched by Headquarters
to Field Stations

1. Attached is a list showing the numbers of OUT cables pouched by Headquarters to Field Stations.

2. In terms of numbers of cables, we pouched 2% of the OUT cables during the period 6 June - 4 September, inclusive. These figures do not reflect volume in terms of group count, but with a few exceptions my impression is that perhaps 95% are less than six lines long. While I concur with your comment of several days ago that the length of a cable does not appear to be a proper factor to use in determining whether it should be pouched, I am disappointed that the cables pouched are so short. The work in preparing sterilized copies is the same for short as for long cables and the saving to the communicators is so small in terms of group count. However, I am content to let matters rest as they are. The facility exists and it is reducing the encipherment-decipherment required.

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Cable Secretary

Attachment: As mentioned in Para 1

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